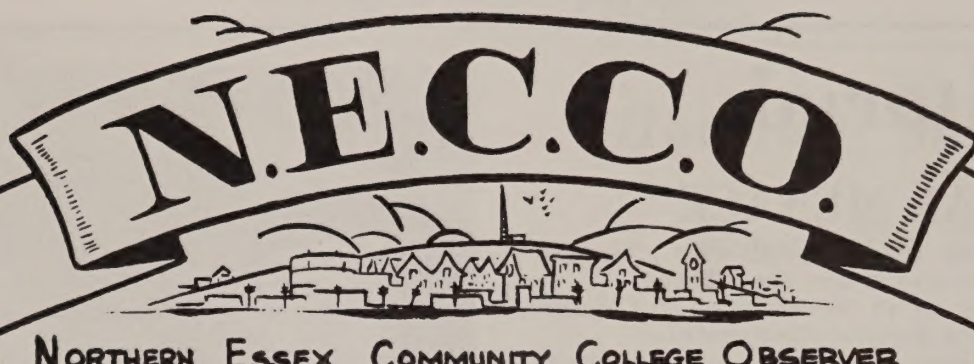




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PRESIDENT BENTLEY ATTENDS A.A.J.C. CONFERENCE

President Bentley recently represented Northern Essex College at the annual meeting of the American Association of Junior Colleges. The conference was held in San Francisco from February 27th through March 3rd.

Mr. Bentley also spent two days in attendance at another national conference. This was for the Associate Degree from the National League for Nursing. At that time he interviewed several prospects for Supervisor of the soon-to-be-introduced nursing program.

The President also had the opportunity to visit some recently constructed community colleges in northern California, including San Mateo, Foothill, and Contra Costa. He spent a morning at U.C.L.A. in Berkeley at the place which was, in his own words, "where the action lies." The purpose of his visit was to consult with members of the Center for Research and Development in Higher Education.

Mr. Bentley took the coastal route from San Francisco to Los Angeles, observing en route developments in community college education. He arrived back from the sunny climate of California in time to be greeted by the major snowstorm which blanketed the East. When asked for his opinions whereby the two parts of the country could be compared, Mr. Bentley said that he enjoyed the marvelous climate and the remarkable vitality of the California scene, but was glad to return to the great privilege of building the college in this area, to the purpose of which he had been commissioned at a very appropriate time in the history of Massachusetts.

N.E.C.C. STUDENTS ATTEND MODEL UNITED NATIONS



William Wall of Georgetown, President of the N.E.C.C. Student Council, presents roses to Gayle Sears of Amesbury, Queen of Winter Week-End. The Queen was escorted by Jeffery J. Pollitt.

Winter Week-End

By JEFF POLLITT

Northern Essex Community College presented its first Winter Week-End Friday, February 17 through Sunday, February 19. The entire program was set up by the joint cooperation of both Student Councils of N.E.C.C. and Mt. Wachusett Community College.

The program was initiated with a basketball game between the two colleges, played at Leominster High School's gymnasium. Those players on the N.E.C.C. team included: D. Benard of Haverhill, captain, scoring 13 points; Marcinkuk of Lawrence, 16 points; (Continued on Page 8)

Eleven delegates represented Northern Essex Community College and the country of Paraguay at the 40th National Model General Assembly held at the Statler Hilton Hotel in New York City during the weekend of March 9-12.

The N.M.G.A. is a forum for the expression of student thought on matters of vital interest to the world. Each student was a member of a committee, either Colonial, Economic, Legal, Political, or Social and Humanitarian. In committee the delegates deliberated issues to be presented before the General Assembly.

The delegates for N.E.C.C. played an active part in the discussion of issues which included the admission of the People's Republic of China to the United Nations, the Viet Nam question, the independence of South West Africa, and world land reform. Yil Karademir, in conjunction with students from Dunbarton College representing Bolivia, initiated a proposal of great importance to the small nations of the world: the question of land reform.

The decisions of the N.M.G.A. have no importance to the United Nations itself. However, the meeting was prestigious enough to warrant Ambassador Nikolai Federenko of the Soviet Union and Lord Caredon of Great Britain speaking to the Assembly. These speeches were given at the United Nations, but the committee and General Assembly meetings of the N.M.G.A. were held at the Statler Hilton.

Northern Essex was the only Community College in (Continued on Page 8)

Editorial

THE REAL MENACE

It seems that a favorite way to spend one's afternoon, in this country of ours is to go out and shoot people.

Recently this sport has grown, as witnessed in Chicago, New York, Los Angeles, and various other states.

As a result, anti-gun laws and legislation have sprung up all around the country and the sportsmen are taking the brunt of them. At this point, let's be realistic.

A gun cannot aim and fire itself. It must be aimed and fired by someone. The gun is not guilty, man is. We must control man, if we are going to control anything at all. Man is the real killer. The gun is just a tool he uses. As on any job, a person is going to use the best tool suited for the job. The gun is man's most modern and practical weapon. Therefore the gun is used most of all from crimes. But why ban guns? If we still used bows and arrows, would we ban them?

Firearms must be kept out of the hands of people who are dangerous and incompetent. This can be done by requiring a test and a permit to purchase firearms and forbidding former mental patients from owning them. There are many logical and practical ways of going about safe firearms legislation without banning firearms altogether and hurting the honest citizen and sportsman, but apparently the politicians haven't heard or thought of them.

However, no laws or legislation can fully prevent the wrong people from obtaining firearms, but the right laws can cut down, if not prevent, the illegal use of them.

However, no laws or legislation can fully prevent the wrong people from obtaining firearms, but the right laws can cut down, if not prevent, the illegal use of them. One of the best ways to stop the illegal use of firearms is to enforce strict penalties. One example would be to have a mandatory penalty of ten years in prison for anyone who uses a firearm in a minor criminal act. For major criminal acts, a mandatory penalty of at least twenty years in prison. For murder, a mandatory death penalty, or life sentence without parole. I would guarantee that laws such as these would cut down on the illegal use of firearms and crime itself, and the honest citizen and sportsmen not suffer any unnecessary injustice.

DO YOU HAVE AN OPINION? LET'S HEAR IT!



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Chris Christopher (left) of Haverhill, President of N.E.C.C. Chess Club and Bob Zbikowski (right), head of Mt. Wachusett's chess team.

Voting-Drinking-Dying

By Alfred De Pietro

Today in far off South-east Asia many men, and I must call them men, between the ages of eighteen and twenty, are dying for our country. In some cases these men are sharing fox-holes with dead men for days and are just doing their best to stay alive for the next day.

Yet, when these men return home they are denied two rights every man and citizen should have. One is the right to vote, and the other is the right to drink.

They are denied these rights because they are not 21 years of age.

I believe this is wrong. If a man can fight, kill, and die for his country he has the right to vote for who is running his country, and the right to have a drink when he wants one. You cannot tell someone to do one thing and then deny him another thing, because he isn't old enough.

I firmly believe that the voting and drinking age for males in the United States should be eighteen years old. Too many people don't realize that it is a majority of males, 18 to 20 years of age, who are fighting and dying for us in Vietnam today. Do we deny them the right to fight and die for us? Then on what basis can we deny them the right to vote and drink?

YOUR COMMENTS ON THIS TOPIC MAY BE SUBMITTED TO THE OBSERVER EDITORS FOR PUBLICATION.

CORRECTION

We have received a complaint from an anonymous student regarding an article by Fred Markham, entitled "The Sports Car Addict." The student said that Mr. Markham didn't get his information straight. According to our reader, the Jags and Lamberghinies (which he forgot to mention) will beat a Vette when cornering. The others don't have a chance.

We hope that the printing of this revision of Fred Markham's article will suffice to set his information straight.

U. N. REPORT

By E. Mark Hussey

The United Nations trip, both the work in the General Assembly and the sight-seeing during our few free moments, was without a doubt, an experience none of us will soon forget. There were some difficult times, such as waiting in endless lines to register, but when everything is added together, the entire four days were a great success.

We arrived Thursday morning, and after we registered, there was a meeting arranged for us with Miguel Lopez, the Paraguayan ambassador to the U.N. Unfortunately, Mr. Lopez was ill, so his deputy ambassador, Senor Vietor Jara, spoke to us and answered our questions concerning Paraguay's stand on the resolutions which we would be considering. Thus armed, we felt secure that our representing Paraguay would be successful. Our several committees met until eleven that night, and afterwards, we met and discussed what had been accomplished.

Friday morning came all too fast. At seven o'clock we were out of bed and ready for a full day of meetings. Most of our time was spent in these meetings, but there was some time to chat with the friends we had made from other colleges. Friday night was free, and with so much to see in New York, the temptation overcame us, to go out on the town.

Since there was only one girl from N.E.C.C., there was a slight problem of companionship. This was remedied nicely by a group of girls from St. Elizabeth's College in Convent Station, New Jersey. We went to Greenwich Village. Enough said!

Saturday, too, was filled with meetings, but the U.N. Secretariat had provided for our entertainment Saturday evening. There was a banquet and a dance. There was a slight mix-up at the banquet, because a larger group than was expected attended. The dance was important, not only because it gave us a chance to mix with other delegations, but also, it relaxed us from our previous meetings. After the dance, there were parties to attend in the hopes of winning support for some favorite resolutions. There was very little sleep to be had that night.

It was not easy to get excited at the Assembly meeting Sunday morning after so little sleep, but as the Assembly became unruly, everyone was lambasted from the chair. When the smoke cleared, it was time to elect the committee to run the National Model General Assembly next year. Northern Essex had a special hope in this because our own John Santos had been nominated for one of the committee positions.

He did not make it, but it is an honor even to be nominated.

The meeting ended at two o'clock, and with it ended the National Model General Assembly. It was with a certain amount of regret that we said good-bye to our new-found friends and to New York, and began our long drive home.

Haverhill Savings Bank

Host To N.E.C.C.

The Haverhill Savings Bank recently hosted 130 Business Administration and Secretarial Science majors from Northern Essex Community College for a two-hour visit that proved to be a fascinating view of the world of finance for the college students.

Following a welcoming address by John E. Veasey, Vice President of Personnel, Treasurer Philip C. Hefner explained the various types of automation that are in use at the bank. During the explanation, Mr. Hefner demonstrated the use of the bank's On-Line IBM machines by actually transacting business in milliseconds with the State Street Bank of Boston. Mr. Hefner explained that the demonstration was an example of machine-talking-to-machines and transacting volumes of business instantaneously.

One of the highlights of the visit was a mock investment meeting conducted by officers of the bank to demonstrate the procedures which the bank goes through in processing mortgage applications. Participating in the mock meeting were Vice Presidents Donald K. Laing and John E. Veasey; Assistant Treasurer Donald E. Fletcher, and Mortgage Officers Robert E. Kent and Charles L. Mills.

Northern Essex faculty members who participated in the tour were: Donald Ruhl, Dean of Students; Miss Grace Constanzo, Secretarial Science instructor, and Messrs. Donald Charlesworth, Nicholas Sarris and Frank Padallaro of the Business Department.

CONFORMITY . . . by Fred Markham

Give up, acquiesce, Die — Lay down and die
Hide yourself, Hide your mind, Hide your morals
and sensibilities.
Join the crowd and do not resist
Can this be our philosophy?
Are our leaders of the future drowning in the Morass?
Do they know of love and courage and faith in a
loving God?
Do not hide from your fellow man.
Give yourself, believing, love, and let in Love.
Stand up from the crowd.
Pull up those you can.
Strength and courage are contagious.
Love tempered by adversity is impregnable.
Fight for what you believe.
Live in divine love.
Give in humane love and live forever.





(From left to right) Bernard of Haverhill, Christopher of Haverhill, Couet of Wachusett, and Dould of Wachusett.

UNDER THE STAIRS

By CHRIS SPATA

We were all excited about the election that took place a little while ago for Queen. Linda, Sonya, and Gayle were excellent representatives for our Winter Week-End, as I know you will agree. But what about a King?

As I think about it, something even more urgent occurs to me. What about a college song or a mascot? A lot of you are excellent in the art of writing poetry or music, and if anyone has any ideas or would like to submit a song or an idea, you are welcome! You may leave it in the Observer Office. Every entry will be read with interest, so please get out your paper and pencils and write! Thank you!

It was brought to my attention that someone or a group of someones has been swapping or mixing up psychology textbooks. These books cost quite a bit; even used books cost a good deal, and I know that many students can hardly afford to buy a book once—let alone twice. If you know of any books that are lost in cars or around the school, could you bring them to the Office? If it is just a question of a mix-up, it would really be considerate to return them to their harried owners.

Phil Wright spoke to me the other day about a party that will be given later on this semester by the Spanish Club. It sounds like a really exciting costume party, so when the plans are completed I'll let you in on them. They also extend a welcome to all new members, so check the College bulletin boards and watch for posters if you'd like to attend their meetings.

In Biology lab, there seems to have been a flurry of excitement some time ago. One of the girls in Mr. Finneran's classes opened a clam and found a little note! The clam promised he would avenge his foul and untimely murder on her. Watch out for those bivalves—they're mean!

On that happy and joyous note, I shall bid you adieu, until the next issue of the Observer. Like, bye!

Color And Comment

Now that the student lounge is nearly done, I asked my fellow students and faculty the all-important question, "What is your opinion of the painting of the lounge?" The following are their answers:

TIM LORING: "It looks like a woman's nightmare in color or Grandma Moses' death wish."

JEFF POLLITT: "Reminds me of a Picasso—when he's on a trip."

A SHY GIRL: "Parts of it are good, parts of it are sick."

JEFF KINGSTON: "Colorblinding."

LARRY MARTELL: "It expresses the anxieties of the students just before finals."

NICK CARAGANIS: "I don't like it."

MR. HOLDEN: "I don't see anything wrong with it."

JOHN ROGEN: "I think it's wild."

WALTER K. (a visitor): "I thought it was terrible to tell you the truth; it should have been painted red."

RAY LORZEWSKI: "At first I thought I was in Batman's cave."

KAREN ROWLEY: "It stinks, but I like it."

JOAN LAGOULIS: "It's ugly."

CATHY ALIANELLO: "It expresses everyone's feelings; I really think it's beautiful. Do you want to hear what my father said? He said it's a dump."

MR. MITCHELL: "I like it; the walls are colorful."

MR. HERSEY: "It's an improvement over what it was before."

ED KAWCZYSKI: "I think it's original and the rest of the school should be painted that way."

CYNTHIA DAWERS: "Fifth amendment."

CHRIS CHRISTOPHER: "It's the slaughter of art in our student lounge."

PATT CLEARY: "The interaction of students and studies."

As you see there are a wide variety of opinions about our lounge. Percy B. Shelley once said in his "The Revolt of Islam," "With hue like that when some great painter dips his pencil in the gleam of earthquakes and eclipse."

WHY COLLEGE?

By ALFRED DE PIETRO

Why did I go to College,
To get an education,
To gain more knowledge,
Or to learn a vocation?

Most say it was the Army
Which forced me to go,
I must say it did alarm me
And that, I want you to know.

But one thing I must say,
Before I reach a conclusion
Without a college education today,
A good job is a delusion.

So as I work and sweat and fend
And try to do a good job,
I know, that in the end,
It will be worth the reward.

College Is Not All Study

By DONALD WALDRON

Thursday, March 2, the Freshman Class Committee held an informal coffee hour in the library at one o'clock. That session was the beginning of a series of informal meetings designed for students to meet and talk to members of the administration and faculty.

In an effort to include all freshmen, the Student Council compiled a list of all freshmen. Each week, some freshmen are personally contacted and invited to attend that week's session. Hopefully, all freshmen will have been invited at least once before June. Seniors may attend if they are interested.

As I walked up the stairs to the library, I was met at the landing by two students, one of whom gave me an identification tag, the other simply checked off my name. When I reached the library entrance, John Santos, the Freshman Class President, greeted me, and encouraged me to help myself to coffee and cookies. After doing so, I casually strolled around, striking up conversations with anyone of interest. Some students sat in chairs and talked; others sat on the tables, or leaned against bookshelves. The atmosphere was friendly and casual.

After about twenty-five minutes of free time, Dean Ruhl explained that the sessions were being held to improve student-faculty-administration relations. I learned that this type of session is very common in colleges the size of N.E.C.C.

Having thanked the Committee for planning the sessions, Dean Ruhl turned the meeting over to John, who immediately introduced Albert Brenner (who needs no introduction).

Mr. Brenner had two chairs beside each other, about in the middle of the library. On one of them was a lectern and some notes. He stepped up to the lectern, and told us he had been doing some research on "The Great American Bum," and that this was his topic. He was particularly concerned with Woody Guthrie. With that introduction, Mr. Brenner turned to a table behind him, where he had laid his guitar. Quickly he removed his suit coat and tie, unbuttoned his collar, picked up his guitar, and returned to the lectern. He put one foot on a chair, rested his guitar on his leg, and began to strum as he talked about Woody. In a matter of sixty seconds, the books on the shelves disappeared into the background, and the library assumed the unique and charming atmosphere of a Vermont ski lodge.

Mr. Brenner talked and sang for about twenty minutes. The audience was relaxed and responsive, thoroughly enjoying the performance. At five minutes of two, the library became a quiet place of study again, and students returned to classes, many still hearing echoes of Mr. Brenner's delightful performance.



NEXT MOVE?

CHESSCELLANEOUS

The Northern Essex Chess Club tournament is now underway; a trophy will be awarded to the winner — When Mt. Wachusett was playing one of the boards, President Don Soucy said the club has two other girls, but they could not make the match because they were going to the semi-formal and had to spend the afternoon at the hairdressers. Where are the N.E.C.C. girls? After the match, the Mt. Wachusett team was brought on a tour of the colorful lounge; one of the players said he was going to write a feature article on the "cool paint job." — Chess pieces are disappearing; those of you who use chess sets, please pick them up when you are through — Plans are being made to paint the lounge floor in the design of a chess board — Some of the new chess books are: Chess, Think of It; Chess for Fun and Chess for Blood; The World Is Too Much For Us Chess Players; & Chess Notes Written in Early Spring!

Winter Weekend Chess Match

The Northern Essex Community College chess team, the Northern Essex Knights, joined in on the Winter Weekend festivities by defeating the Mt. Wachusett Chess team six to one. The results of the games played are as follows:

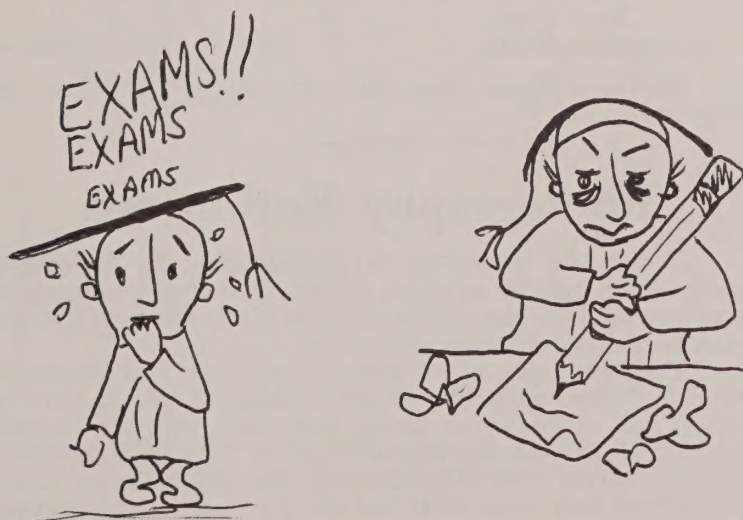
Northern Essex	Mt. Wachusett
Board 1: Chris Christopher, 1	Don Soucy, 0
Board 2: Dave Bernard, 0	John Dould, 1
Board 3: Al Peterson, 1	Robert Zbikowski, 0
Board 4: Thad Warchol, 1	0
Board 5: George Bajoras, 1	0
Board 6: Jeff Pollitt, 1	Dan Reed, 0
Board 7: Douglas B. Nelson, 1	Linda Zak, 0

After the match Mr. Rosenberger put on a simultaneous chess exhibition by playing eleven different games at one time; he beat all eleven opponents!

The Northern Essex Knights are now 2-0 in chess matches, winning eleven out of thirteen games. Plans are being made to play Merrimack College, Lowell Tech, and the various community colleges.

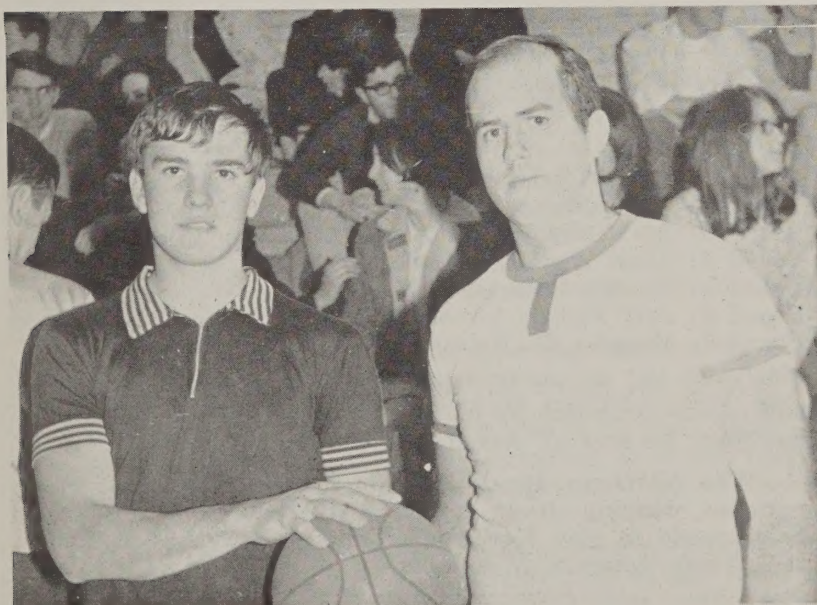
TO WHOM IT MAY OFFEND:

I am sorry for spelling Robert Zimmerman with an "i" instead of an "a".
—Chris Christopher





Bob Arsenault of Lawrence out-jumps the Mt. Wachusett team for two points during the second half of the game.



The two basketball captains D. Benard (right) and Ryan (left) of Northern Essex Community College and Mt. Wachusett Community College respectively, meet to begin the Winter Week-End program.

SKI CLUB NEWS

The N.E.C.C. Ski Club expedition to Killington, Vermont began in extreme chaos. From this start one feared that the whole weekend might turn out to be a real "Horror Show." The trip up to Killington took about four hours for the passengers of the four-car motorcade.

Making the trip were Mr. Padellaro, ski club advisor, Mr. Brenner, Keith Arsenault, Diane Welch, and Tony Caruso, in the Swizzle Stick Pontiac; Bill Wall, Dan Lord, Bob Brown, Dick Reader in the White Jet Chevrolet; Steve Scharn, Tom Hannifin, Denise Merrill, and John Santa Maria in the Ice Box V.W.; and finally Joyce Caron, Ron Raymond, Kathy Horgan, and Tom May in the Potent Baby Blue Mustang.

Upon arrival at the Fondue House, the members relaxed and prepared for the next day's skiing. All were content and happy about the first night together.

Saturday morning slope conditions were super-super excellent but the temperature was below zero. A full day's skiing was enjoyed by all, including Mr. Padellaro, who displayed the latest fashions in ski apparel. (Apré Ski) everyone returned to the lodge for a gourmet dinner and a night of fun and games.

Sunday's conditions were exactly the same. During the afternoon a show was given by Tom Leroy, professional jumper, who performed the unbelievable double forward somersault while his partner did the reverse double somersault. While the show was on, strong-boned Kip Arsenault, shushing down the expert slope "wiped out". He rode away with minor injuries. We left Killington, Vermont and started the trek home.

No "Horror Show" but a fabulous weekend was had by all thanks to the guidance of our advisor, Mr. Padellaro.

NORTHERN ESSEX REPRESENTED IN MADISON SQUARE GARDEN COMPETITION

Bob Page of Newburyport and Ray Ducharme of South Hampton represented Northern Essex Community College in the one-mile United States Intercollegiate Championship Walk on March 4 at the Madison Square Garden, New York. The race was won by Kitchen of Springfield College in a time of 6:49.

Page finished third and outsprinted Tom O'Rourke of Villanova by one-tenth of a second, and in a time of 7:42.

Ducharme finished ninth, outsprinted by Noah Gureck of New York in a time of 8:25.

Other colleges participating included: Springfield and Villanova Colleges, Ohio State, and the U.S. Marine Academy, New York.

The unofficial team standings are as follows:

N.E.C.C.	3	9 — 12
New York	5	8 — 13
Ohio State	7	Disqualified—0

Northern Essex was defeated by the first time by only one point.

Photography Enthusiasts

If you are interested in photography, in developing pictures, in taking pictures, or in analyzing photographs you should join the newly formed Northern Essex Community College Photography Club.

Thus far there have been six meetings and the membership is only ten. If you are seeking to join a club in which you can take an active part, here is your chance; see Mr. Paul, the faculty advisor, or Chris Christopher, Cynthia Lavas, and Mike Boremi, the club officers. Don't put off till tomorrow what you can join today—the semester is almost half over.

FACULTY PROFILES



MR. JOHN MAINER

John Mainer, instructor in Speech and English, is a native Floridian. He attended Mass Hill Junior College, Mass Hill, N.C., and Ferman University, Greenville, S.C., where he majored in speech. While at Ferman, he had the rare opportunity of studying speech and interpretation under Miss Sara Lowrey, one of the most distinguished platform performers in the United States. Graduate study in speech was continued at Emerson College, Boston.

Mr. Mainer is a writer of poetry, and has been published in newspapers, college quarterlies, literary magazines and in one poetry anthology, entitled POETRY BROADCAST.

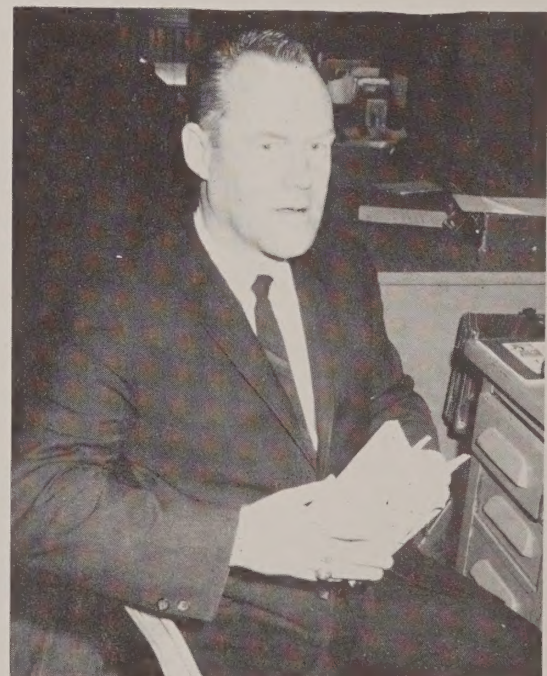
Special interests include singing, reading, gardening, breeding Italian Greyhounds, long walks, bowling, swimming and the beach.

When asked about his philosophy, he said, "I simply try to live every minute with as much zest and meaning as possible."



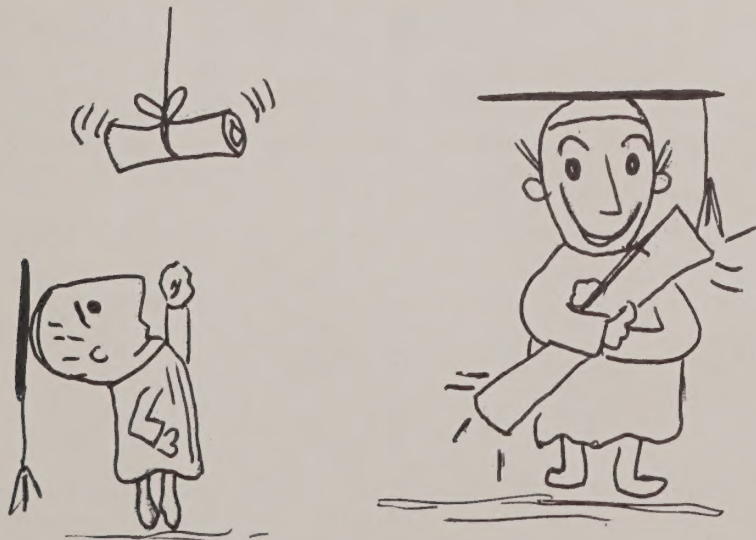
MRS. SANDRA FOTINOS

We welcome Sandra Fotinos to our faculty. She received her M.A.T. in English from John Hopkins University. Mrs. Fotinos has taught high school English in Athens College for Women, Athens, Greece, and at the Berlitz School, Koblenz, Germany. When asked what she thought of N.E.C.C., Mrs. Fotinos had this to say: "Stimulating—such variety in the student body."



MR. WILLIAM HERSEY

Northern Essex Community College welcomes William Hersey to its faculty. Mr. Hersey is a member of the English Department. In 1961, he received his B.S. in Education from Lowell State College, and his M.A. in English from Boston College in 1966. Mr. Hersey's interests include reading, sports, and reviewing the children's classics with his children, Kathleen, three years of age, and Thomas, two years.





What's that in your brief case? Shhh!

N.E.C.C. Students Attend Model United Nations

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Massachusetts represented at the N.M.G.A. It was indeed an honor to be present at an academic exercise such as this, to associate with students from Harvard, Brown, Georgetown, Dartmouth, and many other colleges and to represent N.E.C.C. in a manner which will improve not only our image, but also the image of every community college.

The following students represented Northern Essex as the delegation from Paraguay to the Model United Nations. The delegation adviser was John Guarino.

Delegates were: John Santos, chairman, special political committee; Frank Scala, economic committee; Bob Carignan, political committee; Arthur Levesque, colonial committee; Gerry Quatrala, social and humanitarian committee; and Jeannette Ryan, legal committee.

Alternates were: Jeff Kingston, economic; Al Marcus, political; Dick Reader, colonial; Yil Karademir, social and humanitarian; and E. Mark Hussey, legal.

WINTER WEEK-END

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Morrison of Lawrence, 12 points; Bird of Haverhill, 2 points; Cannouttick of Haverhill, 8 points; Coco of Lawrence, 8 points; and Arsenault of Lawrence, 8 points. This was the first official game for N.E.C.C. played against another college. Although N.E.C.C. was not victorious, the game was well played. The team came from a deficit of 15 points at the half to within one basket of tying. The final score was 81-74.

Directly following this event was a dance which brought the two rival colleges to a friendlier pace.

On Saturday N.E.C.C. was the victor in a Chess Tournament with Mt. Wachusett Community College. Chris Christopher of Haverhill, President of the Chess Club at N.E.C.C., led the team to a 6-1 landslide. Those players representing N.E.C.C. included: Dave Benard of Haverhill, Jeff Pollitt of Haverhill, Al Peterson of Lawrence, Thad Warchol of Newburyport, George Bajoras of Lawrence, and Douglas Neison of Haverhill. The game was followed

Clerical Training Program

The Executive Office for Administration and Finance, State House, Boston, assigned all of the clerical staffs under Civil Service in the Greater Boston area, to attend a program of clerical instruction on a voluntary basis offered by the Bureau of Personnel and Standardization.

The course consists of three hours of instruction each week for a period of fifteen weeks and is designed to upgrade skills in the areas of speed typing, statistical typing, letter construction and spelling. Miss Olga Williams is the program director here at Northern Essex Community College for this clerical course, and instructs a group of twenty-three women now taking advantage of the course every Tuesday afternoon.

The instructors for this course have been selected from the faculty of the Board of Regional Community Colleges.

Accounting Club Activities

The American Accounting Association visited the newly opened North Atlantic Service Center of the Internal Revenue Service in Andover on Monday, March 20.

This was the first in a series of planned trips to area business activities. These visits will be aimed at acquainting the students with the type of businesses and the jobs they offer.



Judy Collins featured at the Winter Week-End concert at the Commodore Ballroom on Sunday, February 19, closing the three days' program.

by a demonstration in spontaneous chess by Donald A. Rosenberger of Boxford, who instructs both speech and philosophy at N.E.C.C.

Also on Saturday was the semi-formal dinner dance at the Speare House in Lowell. The high-light of the evening was the crowning of the Colleges' queens who were elected by the student bodies of their

respective schools. Miss Gayle Sears of Amesbury was crowned queen for Northern Essex.

The final event on Sunday was a concert at the Commodore Ballroom in Lowell featuring Judy Collins.

Excluding graduation activities and the Senior Prom, the Winter Week-End was by far the social event of the year.